

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6168

As of April 19, 2009

Title: An act relating to reducing costs in state elementary and secondary education programs.

Brief Description: Reducing costs in state elementary and secondary education programs.

Sponsors: Senators Tom and Prentice.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 4/18/09.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Staff: Elise Greef (786-7708)

Background: The Senate Ways & Means Committee (SWM) Chair's proposed 2009-11 Operating Budget was first released on March 30, 2009. The budget proposed K-12 Near General Fund-state expenditure reductions of \$1.658 billion compared to the 2009-11 maintenance level. Among the reductions proposed were programs and initiatives that must be implemented under current law, unless amendments to statute provide otherwise.

Summary of Bill: The following Revised Code of Washington (RCW) statutes are amended to allow the associated programs to be implemented contingent on the availability of funds:

- 28A.415.380 - Mathematics and Science Instructional Coach Program;
- 28A.320.190 - Extended Learning Opportunities Program, English-language learners;
- 28A.415.340 - Leadership Academy;
- 28A.300.515 - statewide coordination for science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM Office);
- 28A.630.035 - civics education;
- 28A.300.130 - Center for the Improvement of Student Learning;
- 28A.245.060 - director of skill centers;
- 28A.625.020 - Employee Award Program;
- 28A.300.520 - incarcerated family contacts; and
- 28A.320.125 - school safety plans.

Appropriation: The level of funding provided in the SWM Chair's proposed 2009-11 Omnibus Appropriations Act assumes savings related to this bill.

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Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: None.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.